

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
NORTHERN DIVISION

KEITH PIGGUE #582913,

Petitioner,

v.

CONNIE HORTON,

Respondent.

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Case No. 2:19-cv-223

Hon. Hala Y. Jarbou

**ORDER**

This is a habeas corpus petition filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The matter was referred to the Magistrate Judge, who issued a Report and Recommendation on December 18, 2020, recommending that this Court deny the petition. (ECF No. 12.) The Report and Recommendation was duly served on the parties. No objections have been filed, *see* 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), and the Court issues this Order. The Court will also issue a Judgment in this § 2254 proceeding. *See Gillis v. United States*, 729 F.3d 641, 643 (6th Cir. 2013) (requiring a separate judgment in habeas proceedings). Therefore,

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge (ECF No. 12) is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED** as the Opinion of the Court and the petition for habeas corpus relief (ECF No. 1) is **DENIED** for the reasons stated in the Report and Recommendation.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a certificate of appealability pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c) is **DENIED** as to each issue asserted. *See* RULES GOVERNING § 2254 CASES, Rule 11 (requiring the district court to “issue or deny a certificate of appealability when it enters a final order”). Petitioner has not demonstrated that reasonable jurists would find the Court’s rulings

debatable or wrong. *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473 (2000); *Murphy v. Ohio*, 263 F.3d 466, 466-67 (6th Cir. 2001).

Dated: January 8, 2021

/s/ Hala Y. Jarbou  
HALA Y. JARBOU  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE